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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Winona, Arizona.

Sincerely,

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In the matter of:)		OF THE SECRETARY
Amendment of Section 73.202 (b)	•	RM-	
Table of Allotments),	Kivi-	•
FM Broadcast Stations)		
(Winona, Arizona))		

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 242C3 (96.3 Mhz) to Winona, Arizona as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 242C3 (96.3 Mhz) to Winona and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 242C3 to Winona will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Winona is located in North Central Arizona. It is also located within Conconino County, a county of some 96,591 persons. Winona has a population of 500 persons in accordance with the 1999 Rand McNally Road Map, which is based on 1990 census data.

- 3. The allotment of channel 242C3 to Winona will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Winona is located at Flagstaff, Arizona. Flagstaff is located 16 kilometers from Winona. Winona, while not incorporated, has many retail businesses as it is located on the conjested interstate 40 which leads to Flagstaff, Arizona. Winona has also seen growth and is estimated to have a population of over 600 persons. It has a church, school and civic organizations.
- 4. Winona would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 16 Kilometers of Winona. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Winona area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards. It is obvious from the above spacing, that Winona is presently without local FM service.
- 5. Channel 242C3 can be allotted to Winona and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	Proposed
Winona, Arizona	80 00 00 00 00	242C3

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 242C3 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 242C3 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 35 - 12' - 50", W. 111 - 25' - 19") are that of a site located 1.8 kilometers northwest of the community of Winona. A site restriction of 1.8 kilometers northwest will be required to allot channel 242C3 to Winona. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Winona. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Winona would benefit from the allotment of channel 242C3. It has also been shown that channel 242C3 can be allotted to Winona and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 242C3 for Winona, Arizona, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 242C3 be allotted to Winona, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Winona, Arizona.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

March 1, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 242C3 (96.3 MHz), at N. 35 12 50, W. 111 25 19.

Search	ing Channel 242C3	(96.3	MHz):						
CALL	CITY		ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Cottonwood		ΑZ	240	Cl	U	86.3	76.0	227.3°	10.3
KZGL	Cottonwood		ΑZ	240	C1	L	86.3	76.0	227.4°	10.3
ALC	Window Rock		ΑZ	241	C1	U	221.3	144.0	76.5°	77.3
KWRK	Window Rock		ΑZ	241	C1	L	213.7	144.0	79.6°	69.7
ALC	Show Low		ΑZ	243	C	U	175.9	176.0	129.5°	-0.1
KRFM	Show Low		ΑZ	243	C	L	175.9	176.0	129.5°	-0.1
ALC	Williams		ΑZ	244	C2	U	67.7	56.0	272.8°	11.7
KWMX	Williams		ΑZ	244	C2	L	65.5	56.0	261.9°	9.5
KWMX-1	Flagstaff		ΑZ	244	D	L	16.2	0.0	280.6°	16.2

FIGURE 1 WINONA, ARIZONA MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING